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Applicant:

A. NAKAMURA et al.

Application No.:

09/613,541

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For:

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING AN IMPROVED

CONNECTION ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN A

SEMICONDUCTOR PELLET AND BASE SUBSTRATE

ELECTRODES (As Amended)

Art Unit:

2826

Examiner:

A. Williams

Conf. No.:

9061

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 5, 2005

Sir:

Appreciation is expressed to Examiner Alexander Williams for his courtesy and helpfulness during an interview conducted on June 23, 2005. During the course of this interview, all of the independent claims 1, 8, 10, 11, 14, 22, 26, 91 and 96 were discussed. Regarding this, it was noted that the sworn priority documents filed with the April 7, 2005 Amendment overcome the Akram and Masukawa documents which were used in rejecting the claims in the Office Action. It was also noted that the only remaining reference to Hinrichsmeyer used in rejecting the claims was not used in rejecting either dependent claims 7 and 10. Therefore, inasmuch as the independent claims 1, 11, 14, 22 and 26 have been amended to include the subject matter of claim 7, and since claim 10 has been rewritten into independent form, it

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was agreed that these claims should be allowable, assuming that the sworn translations of the priority documents do eliminate Akram and Masukawa as references, and also assuming that no earlier prior art is found in a further search with regard to the subject matter of dependent claims 7 and 10.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 501.34189R00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Very truly yours,

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